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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR SHAPING A DOUGH PIECE

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- Application 18 pages, including 3 independent claims and 20 claims 1. total.
- 2. Drawings - 6 sheets of formal drawings containing 14 figures.
- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Rheon Automatic 4. Machinery Co., Ltd.
- 5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-293190, filed on September 26, 2000.



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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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